

REMARKS

In the Official Action mailed on **11 July 2007**, the Examiner reviewed claims 1-42. Claims 2, 5, 7, 12-14, 16, 19, 21, and 26-28 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten. Claims 29-42 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101. Claims 1, 3-4, 6, 9, 15, 17-18, 20, 29, 31-32, 34, and 37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on Glade (USPN 6,643,290 hereinafter “Glade”) and Schultz (USPN 5,440,716 hereinafter “Schultz”).

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Examiner rejected claims 29-42 under 35 U.S.C. § 101. Applicant has amended paragraph [0036] of the instant application to disavow signals and transmission medium from the scope of “storage medium.” No new matter has been added.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2, 5, 7, 12-14, 16, 19, 21, and 26-28 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten. Applicant has re-written claims 2, 16, and 30 in independent forms as claims 1, 15, and 29, respectively. No new matter has been added. Claims 2, 16, and 30 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Hence, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 1, 15, and 29 as presently amended are in condition for allowance. Applicant also submits that claims 3-14, which depend upon claim 1, claims 17-28, which depend upon claim 15, and claims 31-42, which depend upon claim 29, are for the same reasons in condition for allowance and for reasons of the unique combinations recited in such claims.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the present application is presently in form for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

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